BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2006-50-WS - ORDER NO. 2006-704

DECEMBER 1, 2006

IN KE:	Joint Application of Timothy P. Oliver and)	ORDER GRANTING THE
	James C. Thigpen for Expedited Approval of)	DEPARTMENT OF
	a Transfer of Assets of Goat Island Water and)	HEALTH AND
	Sewer Company, Inc.; the Transfer of)	ENVIRONMENTAL
	Operating Authority of Goat Island Water and)	CONTROL'S MOTION
	Sewer Company, Inc.; and Transfer of all)	FOR REMOVAL AS A
	Sewer Service System without Limitations to)	PARTY
	all Customers of Goat Island Water and)	
	Sewer Company, Inc. of Clarendon County,)	
	South Carolina.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to be removed as a party in the present docket. The present proceeding was established upon the joint application filed February 1, 2006, by Timothy P. Oliver and James C. Thigpen (Joint Applicants) for approval of a transfer of assets and authority of Goat Island Water and Sewer Company, Inc. (Goat Island) located in Clarendon County, South Carolina.

On March 31, 2006, DHEC filed a Petition to Intervene and was formally made a party of record to this proceeding. By request filed October 27, 2006, DHEC seeks to withdraw its intervention and thus be removed as a party to this action. DHEC's intervention in this matter was based upon 24 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. §61-9.122 and 24A S.C. Code Ann. Regs. §61-58.1, whereby the Joint Applicants were required to apply to DHEC for transfer of permits for the facilities. According to DHEC, the Joint Applicants had not applied for the transfer of permits at the time of DHEC's intervention. DHEC

now advises the Commission that DHEC approved the business plan for Goat Island and issued an operating permit for the system on September 27, 2006. According to DHEC, the Joint Applicants have now completed all necessary actions in accordance with the regulatory requirements of DHEC. DHEC states that the bases for its Motion to Intervene are no longer at issue, and DHEC seeks to be removed as a party to this proceeding.

Upon consideration of the Motion of DHEC, the Commission finds that the request of DHEC to be removed as a party of record should be granted. The Commission discerns no prejudice to any party by granting the withdrawal.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion of the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control to be removed as a party to this action is granted.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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